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6. [] In a conversation today Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, expressed serious concern over the Vice President's remarks over the weekend to the effect that if the Senate persisted in pressing various amendments to limit U.S. support to Southeast Asian countries the Executive Branch would have to use means at its disposal to circumvent the congressional limitations. Woodruff is concerned that this might draw attention to certain Agency authorities in the course of the debate on the Defense Appropriation bill.

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7. [] Talked with Ann Purcell, on the staff of Senator William Proxmire (D., Wis.), about a constituent inquiry requesting information on the Phoenix program. I explained to Miss Purcell that the Agency had no comment on this, but provided her with several newspaper articles by Colonel R. D. Heinl, Jr., which we consider to be reasonably accurate. I also suggested that the constituent might want to obtain a copy of the testimony of Ambassador Colby in open session of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on the pacification programs. I told her that this testimony was supposed to be printed sometime in September.

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8. [] In response to his earlier query I talked with Mr. John Jameison, on the staff of Representative Robert Price (R., Texas), about [] I told Jameison that we were not in a position to assist [] in his personal political activities.

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9. [] Lucy Falcone, on the staff of the Joint Economic Committee, called and asked if we could provide the Committee with unclassified figures either in dollars or in rubles on the Soviet defense expenditures for the years 1968, 1969, and 1970. We are checking with OER on this.

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1. [] Mrs. Scweiker, in the office of Senator Jack Miller (R., Iowa), called and requested a personnel interview for a constituent, []. After checking with the Office of Personnel, I advised Mrs. Scweiker that an appointment has been scheduled with [] for 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, 25 August.

2. [] [] advised that on instructions from the DDP the CI Staff is asking AID to avoid transmittal of the paper on the public safety program in Latin America to the Foreign Relations Committee.

3. [] Miss Karin Hevener, on the staff of Representative Thomas Downing (D., Va.), called and asked if we could provide information on Agency expenditures in response to a constituent request. I advised Miss Hevener that the Agency did not discuss its expenditures publicly, but I offered to send to her for the constituent a copy of the CIA pamphlet. This is being sent.

4. [] James W. Knowles, Director of Research, Joint Economic Committee, said they were about to go to press on the publication which contains the article by Dr. Boretsky (see Journal of 21 August). Knowles asked if there was anything that we or Commerce could do to officially call the Committee's attention to the errors in the Boretsky article. I told Knowles that I would talk to our people and be back in touch with him.

5. [] David Martin, on the staff of Senator Thomas Dodd (D., Conn.), talked with me about the work of [] [] who is interested in a current issue between Communist China and the Soviet Union over certain ethnic groups. Martin is providing me with some material on this tomorrow.

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Friday - 21 August 1970

- 25X1 1. [] Charles Kendrick, Administrative Assistant to Senator Peter Dominick, called about two articles by a British correspondent Donald Seamans on the installation of a noncritical nuclear reactor in Cuba. Senator Dominick put these two articles in the Congressional Record on 12 August and would like to know how factual they are. I told Kendrick I would check on this and be in touch with him.
- 25X1 2. [] Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, called and said he had been unable to schedule the briefing of the CIA Senate Appropriations Subcommittee for Tuesday. Since that is the only day the Director is available next week, this may have to be put over until after the Labor Day recess. I will check with Woodruff again early next week.
- 25X1 3. [] Talked with James Knowles, Research Director, Joint Economic Committee, and alerted him to our concern over an article entitled "Technological Base of Soviet Military Power" by Dr. Michael Boretsky, of the Commerce Department, which was written for inclusion in an upcoming Joint Committee publication. I told him we had been in touch with Commerce about our views on this but wanted to alert the Committee staff. I also emphasized that we did not want to get in the middle between the Committee and Commerce on it. Knowles said he appreciated our alerting him to this since the publication has already been through galley proofs.
- 25X1 4. [] Edith Johnson, House Armed Services Committee staff, called and asked if we had prepared a report to the Committee on H. R. 14318, a bill to create an Office of Defense Review. After checking the file I advised Miss Johnson that based on conversations with Oneta Stockstill, of the Committee staff, and our understanding that no Committee action was anticipated on this legislation we had not developed a position on it. She said this was fine she just wanted to be sure to include any proposed Agency report in a package of other reports on the legislation which will be circulated to the sponsors.

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